COLORADO'S & COLORADON'TS

Learn how you can Fight the Hate State

Last November, the voters of Colorado approved the anti-gay state constitutional Amendment 2, which strips gays, lesbians and bisexuals of civil rights protection. This law means that gays can be fired from their jobs, denied housing, even denied seating in restaurants. This is the single most dangerous attack on gay rights in the country right now.

YOU CAN HELP

Most of us can't vote in Colorado, but we can all help overturn Amendment 2. Your power is in your gay dollar! Do not participate in Colorado's economy. Remember every dollar you spend in Colorado, or on a product from a Colorado company, generates tax dollars for A STATE THAT LEGALIZED ANTI-GAY DISCRIMINATION. Colorado thinks you will ignore Amendment 2 and keep spending. Protest in the strongest way possible: DON'T SPEND A PENNY ON COLORADO! Remember: the state is using that tax base to pay for the legal fight to uphold Amendment 2.

About 16 other states are considering similar laws. Michigan's conservative Republican Governor just came out AGAINST their proposal. His reason: THE COLORADO BOYCOTT.

WHAT YOU CAN DO

DON'T TRAVEL TO OR THRU COLORADO!
DON'T BUY THESE COLORADO PRODUCTS:
Celestial Seasonings tea, Coors Beer, Gates Rubber products, Holly Sugar, Mesa Verde pottery, Samsonite luggage, Teledyne Waterpik, Viadent toothpaste.
(FYI: Not a single one of these companies has announced its official opposition to Amendment 2. Even if they have a company anti-discrimination policy, they condone the amendment with their silence!)

MAKE PHONE CALLS

Call 1-800-COLORADO, their tourism board. Tell them you wouldn't dream of coming because of Amendment 2. It's toll free! Call every day! Call Colorado Governor Romer: 303-866-2471. Tell him the same!

WRITE LETTERS

Companies considering relocating to Colorado. Tell them to stay out of the hate state!
- Schwinn Bicycle Company, 217 N. Jefferson, Chicago, IL 60661 (312)454.7400 fax: (312)454.7525
- 3M / Lowell Ludford, 3M Center Bldg 225-15-15, St. Paul, MN 55144 (612)733.1110

LOOK WHO'S BOYCOTTING

Thirty entertainers from Barbra Streisand to Madonna; fifteen cities incl. Atlanta, Austin, Boston, Chicago, Ft. Lauderdale, L.A., New York, San Francisco and Seattle; sixteen museums including, the Metropolitan Museum of Art and the L.A. County Museum; the U.S. Conference of Mayors, the Nat'l Assoc. of Hispanic Journalists, NGLTF, HRCF, the Nat'l Assoc. of Religious Women, the American Jewish Congress, the Minnesota Democratic Party, and over 100 other groups; endorsed by The New York Times and the Village Voice.

ASK THESE ORGANIZATIONS TO CANCEL COLORADO EVENTS:

National Association of Insurance Commissioners, Spring '94
- Steven F. Foster, President of NIAC, Bureau of Insurance Commonwealth of Virginia, PO Box 1157, Richard VA 23209 (804)786.7694, fax (804)371.7873
- Salvatore R. Curiale, Superintendent of Insurance, Department of Insurance, 160 West Broadway, NYC 10013 (212) 602.0434, fax (212)602.0437

American Institute of Architects, 10/1–3, 93
- Susan Maxman, President, 123 South 22 St., Philadelphia, PA 19103 (215)977.8662, fax (215)977.9742

Council for Exceptional Children, 4/1–8, 94
- Carol May, Director of Conventions, 1920 Association Drive, Reston, VA 22091 (703)264.9442

American Alliance for Health, Physical Education, Recreation, 4/14–16, 94
- Lysa Price, Director of Conventions, 1900 Association Drive, Reston, VA 22091 (703)476.3400

MAKE A DIFFERENCE!

Tell your friends about this issue. Form a local Boycott Colorado group. If you need help, call Boycott Colorado in Colorado at (303)777.0560 or New York Boycott Colorado at (212)239.1451, ext. NYBC. or call Philadelphia Grassroots Queers - 545-7453, ext 2

Boycott Colorado!

COLORADO UNDER SIEGE! WHERE NEXT

"**NEITHER** the state of
COLORADO, through any of its branches or departments,
NOR ANY OF ITS agencies, political subdivisions,
MUNICIPALITIES or school districts,
SHALL enact or
ENFORCE ANY statute,
REGULATION, ordinance or policy,
WHEREBY
HOMOSEXUAL, LESBIAN OR BISEXUAL,
ORIENTATION, conduct, practices or relationships
SHALL constitute or otherwise
ENTITLE ANY PERSON or class of persons
TO HAVE or claim
ANY minority status, quota preferences, protected status, or
CLAIM OF DISCRIMINATION."

Amendment 2

Last November, the Religious Right launched a stealth campaign that successfully persuaded Colorado voters to pass the notorious Amendment 2, banning equal rights for lesbians, gays and bisexuals. Right now, in California, Washington, Oregon, Maine, Arizona, Michigan, Florida, Idaho, and elsewhere, the Religious Right is operating similar campaigns, claiming that lesbians, gays and bisexuals are seeking "special rights." But their real agenda is to deny us *any* rights or protection whatsoever. The time to fight is NOW, rather than waiting until more and more states adopt similar laws. That is why we must "Boycott Colorado."

Is this boycott working? Yes. For example, the conservative Republican governor of Michigan, came out strongly against an anti-gay proposal in his state, declaring (in a letter dated February 16, 1993): "Such an amendment could lead to tourists and convention planners boycotting our state, which would obviously have an adverse effect on our economy. Michigan does not need an amendment of this nature."

New York! Boycott Colorado is a group dedicated to overturning Amendment 2 in Colorado and preventing the adoption of similar measures elsewhere. We are lobbying tourist groups, convention planners, restaurants, florists, and other merchants, urging them to postpone doing business with all Colorado-based companies. Our aim is not to hurt Coloradans but to pressure companies to lobby within the state against Amendment 2, and to provide a clear economic incentive for them to do so.

In Philadelphia, Call Grassroots Queers 545-7453, ex 2 & Join us, we meet every Thursday, 7:30, Penguin Place, 201 S. Camac St., Philadelphia

New York! Boycott Colorado, Inc.:
70A Greenwich Avenue, P.O. Box 221
New York, New York 10011
212/239-1451, ext. NYBC